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These proceedings contain papers presented at the twenty-ninth annual Kansas State University Conference on Applied Statistics in Agriculture, held in Manhattan, Kansas, April 23 - April 25, 2017. The purpose of the conference is to provide a forum for discussion on the application of statistics to problems in agricultural sciences. Papers and posters presented at the conference and included in the proceedings are intended to provide information to both the statistician and agricultural researcher on current issues of agricultural and general statistical interest. About one hundred registrants for this year's conference came from across the country and represented government, industry, and academia.

The keynote speaker was Professor David Banks from Duke University. Professor David Banks presented a workshop on April 23 titled "*Statistical and Machine Learning*" and a keynote address on April 24 titled "*Statistical Issues for Agent-Based Models*". Each contributed paper was refereed before being accepted for publication in these proceedings. The papers were accepted for publication based on their interest, relevance, innovation and application to the agricultural sciences and statistics.

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